ALL ABOARD

With G. E. Mortimore

Would we and the Russians get along any better if we spoke the same language? I believe so.

Talking through translation is like trying to see through muddy water. Ordinary things appear as dark, threatening shapes.

People of East and West are also separated by miles and by basic differences of political thought. But some of the hatred between them would melt if men and women of East and West could see and understand one another.

International visits, by political leaders and by plain citizens, have been suggested as a means of promoting goodwill. Visits probably are useful. But they have a basic defect—they are too short.

There is only one way to understand a foreign nation—to speak the language and to live in the country for several years.

The Way to Co-Existence

Russia and the English-speaking peoples do not understand each other in this way. If they are sincere in their wish for "peaceful co-existence," they should try to know one another better.

Selected groups of children — with their parents' consent — should learn Russian in school as a second language. Groups of Russian children should learn English.

Our children would get a solid course in government and be taught why we believe parliamentary democracy to be the best system.

They might also be instructed in one or other of the ordinary trades, like plumbing or carpentry.

Then there would be a mass exchange of students, between the Soviet Union and the western world, at the high school level and the university level.

Exchange in Every Field

There would also be an exchange of workers in various trades and professions — doctors, loggers, farmers, carpenters, actors, musicians, bricklayers, bartenders and garbage collectors.

They would live among the ordinary people of the other nation, sharing their food and entertainment and speaking their language.

The system might lend itself to spying. Precautions would have to be taken against that.

And then the citizen-ambassadors would return home with a clear, detailed picture of the foreign country. Such a program has never (as far as I know) been tried anywhere. It would be costly. But we could buy a lot of understanding for the price of one atomic bomb.

Are the Russians afraid to try it, or are we? If we don't try something bold and new, most people on both sides of us may soon be dead.

Head orderly Jim Ashmore . . . heads staff of 33.

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St. Joseph's Chief Orderly

Desire to Help Fulfilled by Job

Jim Ashmore of 91 Moss is too modest to say he took up medical orderly work to help people.

He believes that desire is in everyone, and needs no mention.

But he does feel that he is fortunate to be in a job he enjoys and finds vitally interesting, and at the same time fulfills that desire to help help.

As head orderly at St. Joseph's Hospital he has a staff of 3 men under him. His chief responsibility is seeing they uphold the high standards of the hospital staff.

"An orderly," he says, "must be conscientious, efficient, even-tempered, pleasant, and above all have a genuine desire to help the sick."

Hospital authorities say the example he sets himself does much to uphold standards.

During the war he served with the RCAF for four years as a medical orderly. And because the duties assigned to an air force orderly are similar to those of a male nurse in civilian hospitals, he has found this training valuable.

His two boys are too young to know what they would like to do when they grow up, but the elder of his daughters, 13-year-old Elaine, wants to be a nurse.

Beauty Contest Tougher

It will be easier to become a candidate for the title of Miss Victoria in 1959—but more difficult to win because of greater competition.

At least that's the way the organizers, Junior Chamber of Commerce, hope things will go this year. They announced yesterday that previous talent restrictions are being played down to encourage more contestants to enter.

Applicants must be single and between the ages of 18 and 26 on Sept. 1, also must have a minimum three years of high school. Names should be sent to Jaycee offices, 816 Wharf.

Winner will receive an all-expense-paid trip to the Miss Canada Pageant in Hamilton, Ont., a complete wardrobe with evening gown and a cash prize.

A queen and two princesses will be chosen from eight semi-finalists at the Industrial and Agricultural Fair to be held from May 4 to 9.

Ship Calendar

Yarrows Starting Icebreaker Work

Work will start Monday at Yarrows Ltd. shipyards on outfitting of the first icebreaker built on the West Coast.

CGS Camsell will be based in Victoria. Her prime function as icebreaker will take the ship round Alaska by way of Bering Strait, McKenzie Bay and Queen Maud Gulf to Shepherd's Bay well inside the Arctic Circle.

Other duties will include assisting in servicing department of transport aids to navigation on the coast and acting as lighthouse supply vessel.

She is named after Dr. Charles Camsell, former deputy minister of mines and resources and commissioner of the Northwest Territories. His work as a geologist brought Dr. Camsell recognition as one of the foremost Arctic explorers of his time.

The hull was built under sub-contract by Burrard Drydock in Vancouver. To withstand the tremendous pressures in icebreaking, it has been built of special fine-grain steel many times the normal thickness for a 223-foot vessel.

None of the shell-plating is lighter than an inch in thickness and in vital locations is up to 1¼ inches. In addition, the vessel's frames are only 16 inches apart amidships and 15 inches apart at the forward and after ends.

When delivered to the transport department in September, the Camsell will have cost almost $4,000,000 and provided jobs for up to 150 men at Yarrow's in the next seven months.

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Lieut. Roger Sweeney, 1015 Joan Crescent, will serve aboard the royal yacht Britannia during this year's visit to Canada by Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip for opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway. He is presently serving in HMCS Sussexvale.

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Merchant shipping in Island ports includes th John Bakke, Victoria; King Charles, Nanaimo; Lagos Ontario and Rondo, Tahsis; Fred Christensen, Alberni.

Courtroom Parade

Woman Sobs When Told Of $50 Fine for Theft

A weeping woman was fined $50 in city court Saturday morning after pleading guilty to a charge of theft of goods over $50 from Hudson's Bay Co.

Mrs. Gertrude Langer, 3071 Washington, broke into tears when told by an interpreter of the heavy fine imposed by Magistrate Henry Hall after he referred to the theft as "part of your plan to secure goods."

Police said restitution was made for clothes worth $320.

Albert Martin, 1028 Verrinder, was remanded to Thursday for sentencing and a probation report after he pleaded guilty to two charges of obtaining money by false pretenses.

Magistrate Hall told him two other crarges would be brought against him tomorrow.

Martin admitted passing worthless cheques at two Victoria Super-Valu stores. They totalled $70.

Fugitive Sets Record

LONDON—Playboy convict **Dennis Stafford** is behind bars again after setting a record for the longest postwar run for freedom by any man escaping from Dartmoor prison.

The handsome jailbreaker, known for his fondness for high living and expensive clothes, was recaptured in Piccadilly Circus Friday, after being at large for 47 days. Previous record was 33 days. He escaped in fog Jan. 5.

His only disguise a pair of horn-rimmed glasses, he was spotted by two detectives while strolling with a man and a girl.

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HOLLYWOOD—Another TV comeback failed yesterday when the American Broadcasting Company announced that **Liberace's** weekday show will be cancelled next month.

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WASHINGTON—**John Foster Dulles received his second** radiation treatment for abdominal cancer and later conferred for 20 minutes with **President Eisenhower,** who has just returned from a "very successful" godwill visit with Mexico's **President Lopez Mateos.**

Names In the News

LIBERACE
. . . jobless again

VANCOUVER — The B.C. Court of Appeal has reduced by two years the five-year sentence imposed three months ago in Victoria on **Robert Ross McColl** on charges of having possession of stolen goods and jumping bail.

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OTTAWA—A downdraft in an incinerator at **Prime Minister Diefenbaker's** official residence caused a fire scare today that sent firemen and RCMP rushing to the building.

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NEW YORK—**Gov. Nelson Rockefeller** was booed and jeered so vociferously for his high-tax program that he barely was able to deliver a brief welcoming address at the national outdoor exposition at the New York Coliseum.

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RIO DE JANEIRO—A Brazilian officials says the United States has asked for approval of **Mrs. Clare Boothe Luce** as ambassador to Brazil.

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NICOSIA—Cyprus Governor **Sir Hugh Foot** promised to "proceed with all speed" to end emergency regulations and permit the return of **Archbishop Makarios.**

NEWPORT, Ore. (AP) — "Pony express" rider **Walt Mitchell,** 60, taking part in Oregon's centennial celebrations, was killed by a car as he galloped along a highway in pre-dawn darkness.

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COLOMBO—Ceylon Governor-General **Sir Oliver Goonetilleke** has called out troops to counter a threatened island-wide strike against Premier **Solomon Bandaranaike's** new public security law.

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WICHITA, Kan. — **Mrs. Truett Hyles** and her three daughters watched their home burn to the ground because neighbors on her party line refused to let her use telephone to call fire department.

Jody's Real Life Begins at Seven

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she can probably go back March 2."

Jody, who has to take a nap every afternoon, said yesterday, "I'll be glad when I'm all better again and don't have to go to bed all the time."

As well as playing cowboys and Indians and being a ballerina some day, Jody's looking forward to doing all the things she never could before —like riding a bike, skipping, swimming and roller-skating.

Mrs. Vigar also expressed her thanks yesterday to the Lion's Club and "those fine people who came forward to give all the blood Jody needed."

The Lion's Club paid for Mrs. Vigar's trip to the Children's Health Centre at Vancouver General Hospital, where the operation was performed.

Jody is one of an estimated five Victorians operated on successfully for heart ailments in the last six months.

For her, the heart foundation provided a Lillehei-De-Wall machine that bypasses the heart and enables the performance of open heart operations.

"Heart disease continues as the leading cause of death in Victoria," says Dr. Peter Banks, city medical representative of the foundation.

"While the percentage of deaths from heart disease across Canada is around 50 per cent," he said, "the B.C. figure is 52 per cent and Victoria has reached 59.6 per cent."

He added that the only hope for marked improvement lies in more research and the public's acceptance of the simple health rules plus co-operation with the family doctor—all of which are stressed by the foundation.

Victoria residents were urged by Dr. Banks to back the foundation by sending donations to 1108 Government or any bank branch.

'Chutist Hurt In Night Jump

EDMONTON (CP)—A paratrooper attached to the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry suffered a broken thigh during a night jump near Edmonton.

Private J. G. Kelly, of a company of Second Battalion, was injured when his parachute partially malfunctioned and shroud lines tangled with the canopy.

'Romeo' Big Hit as Students Brush Up Their Shakespeare

By BERT BINNY

Shakespeare's message still gets across.

Approximately 800 students from Greater Victoria and Island high schools formed the bulk of the audience at the Royal Theatre yesterday afternoon when the Canadian Players presented "Romeo and Juliet."

And apparently all of them enjoyed the classic play of tragic love.

Company manager Bruce Swerdfager and actress Deborah Cass both pronounced the students "a good audience."

Members of the audience, selected at random, offered the following opinions of the performance and the players:

Margaret Yearsley of Nanaimo High School found the play "much better than I expected" and she far preferred this live production to similar offerings on TV. Peter Needham's Mercutio she labelled "very vital" and Juliet was "most attractive."

Lynn Weir, 1164 William Head Road, a student at Belmont High, also found the play better than she anticipated.

Lynn "loved Juliet" and also Miss Cass as the nurse. Romeo she found different from her expectations — "but better." "The scenery wasn't as grand and fancy as I thought it would be," she said, "but this was better because sets didn't take away from the acting."

Beth Haugen, 1148 Clarke Road, a student at Mount Newton High and both a player and a director in the forthcoming schools drama festival, said the Canadian Players "made Romeo and Juliet really live."

To Beth Marigold, Miss Charlesworth's Juliet was outstanding but she was also particularly pleased with Mervyn Blake as Friar Laurence.

Jim Cosh of Metchosin said the play was "pretty well what I expected to see" and Bruce Swerdfager's Peter was "just as I imagined it from reading the play."

Sharon Rayner of Colwood found the use of one setting for a variety of scenes and the lighting very skilful and the nurse appealed to her, just as Peter appealed to Jim Cosh. Sharon was also very pleasantly surprised by the projection of the voices.

Elizabeth Wells of Salt Spring Island, attending St. Margaret's School, liked Peter, the nurse, Romeo and Juliet and was particularly impressed by lighting effects in the second act.

Peter Dixon, Bob Chamut and Christopher Morley, all of North Saanich High, were very favorably impressed. "It's the only play that I haven't had the inclination to walk out of," said Bob, and added that he would like to play the part of Peter. All three liked Mercutio and the nurse

Caroline Overman, 2400 Dalhousie, a Grade 8 student, liked Romeo in particular, while Mary Spilsbury, 2995 Uplands Road, found Mercutio "terrific." Mary noted that the play "improved as it went along."

Jean Alexander, 1063 Deal Street, "thoroughly enjoyed the whole production" and Romeo and Mercutio in particular.

The Weather

February 22, 1959

Mostly cloudy, little change in temperature, light winds. Precipitation Saturday, nil. Sunshine, 7 hours, 42 minutes. Outlook for Monday, rain during the evening.

Recorded Temperatures

High 50 Low 39

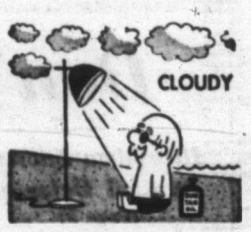
Forecast Temperatures

High 50 Low 38

Sunrise 7.13 Sunset 5.44

East Coast of Vancouver Island—Mainly cloudy, little change in temperature. Light winds. High and low at Nanaimo, 50 and 30. Outlook for Monday, rain during evening.

West Coast of Vancouver Island—Cloudy. Little change in temperature. Winds southeasterly 15. High and low at Estevan Point, 50 and 38. Outlook for Monday, rain beginning in the afternoon.



TEMPERATURES

	Min.	Max.	Prep.
Winnipeg	—9	20	--
Brandon	—6	18	--
The Pas	—10	17	--
Regina	—11	24	--
Saskatoon	—5	32	--
Prince Albert	—7	28	--
North Battleford	—3	29	--
Swift Current	6	29	--
Medicine Hat	3	34	--
Lethbridge	4	32	--
Calgary	8	38	--
Edmonton	11	41	--
Kimberley	3	34	--
Crescent Valley	9	42	--
Kamloops	9	36	--
Penticton	15	32	--
Vancouver	27	46	--
Prince Rupert	41	46	.09
Prince George	—2	41	--
Whitehorse	18	30	--
Seattle	36	55	--
Portland	30	52	--
San Francisco	47	54	.04
Spokane	25	42	--
New York	17	35	--

TIDES AT VICTORIA
(Pacific Standard Time)

	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.
22	08.41	7.7	08.12	6.7	13.19	6.5	20.46	2.3
23	09.34	7.9	08.56	6.1	14.12	6.4	21.16	2.6
24	02.37	8.1	09.41	5.6	15.08	6.1	21.54	3.1
25	04.25	8.4	10.31	4.8	16.08	7.7	22.32	3.8
26	05.00	8.6	11.22	4.2	17.12	7.3	23.12	4.6
27	05.36	8.8	12.16	3.7	18.25	6.9	23.54	5.4
28	06.14	8.9	13.15	3.2	21.30	6.6		
March								
1	00.31	6.2	08.53	8.9	14.19	2.9	23.38	7.0
2	01.05	6.9	07.35	8.9	15.36	2.7		
3	08.25	8.7	16.35	2.6				
4	08.38	8.6	17.35	2.5				
5	03.19	7.9	05.46	7.5	10.52	8.4	18.28	2.5
6	03.48	7.9	06.48	7.1	11.56	8.3	19.14	2.7

TIDES AT FULFORD HARBOUR
(Pacific Standard Time)

	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.	Time H.M.	Ht. Ft.
22	05.10	11.3	10.29	4.1	15.28	10.4	22.18	3.1
23	05.36	11.5	11.07	3.6	16.27	10.3	22.50	3.5
24	06.02	11.6	11.50	3.6	17.27	10.2	23.38	4.1
25	06.31	11.6	12.34	3.8	18.30	10.1		
26	00.20	5.0	07.01	11.7	13.20	5.0	19.38	9.9
27	0.04	5.1	07.32	11.6	14.11	4.4	20.54	9.7
28	01.37	7.2	08.06	11.4	15.07	3.9	22.22	9.7
March								
1	02.46	8.2	08.41	11.2	16.07	3.6		
2	04.02	9.9	04.04	9.0	09.21	10.8	17.10	3.3
3	01.33	10.1	05.41	9.4	10.15	10.5	18.13	3.2
4	02.39	10.6	7.17	8.3	11.22	10.1	19.15	3.1
5	03.25	10.9	08.29	8.9	12.42	9.8	20.10	3.2
6	04.03	11.0	09.23	8.3	13.50	9.7	21.00	3.4

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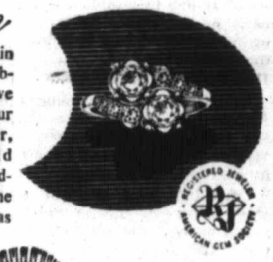

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